

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes ☐  
no ☒

Property Name: 11909 Falls Road Inventory Number: M: 29-66  
Address: 11909 Falls Road Historic district: yes ☒ no  
City: Potomac Zip Code: 20854 County: Montgomery  
USGS Quadrangle(s): Rockville  
Property Owner: Robert D. Tuch et. al. Tax Account ID Number: 00126935  
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): blkA lot9 Tax Map Number: FQ62  
Project: Falls Road Hiker/Biker Trail Agency: Montgomery Co Dept of Public Works & Tr  
Agency Prepared By: John Milner Associates, Inc.  
Preparer's Name: Sarah Traum Date Prepared: 3/14/2005  
Documentation is presented in: Montgomery County Historical Society  
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended  
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G  
*Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:*  
Name of the District/Property: \_\_\_\_\_  
Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligible: yes Listed: yes  
Site visit by MHT Staf yes ☒ no Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

This property contains a two-story house and a two-car garage. This house has an irregular form, with a central two-story portion flanked by two, one-story wings. The two-story portion is three bays wide, with the side bays contained within two tent-roofed semi-octagonal towers. These towers are clad with vertical boards while the remainder of the house is clad with clapboards. Asphalt shingle roofs cover the house. The windows are mostly casement windows, with fixed windows in the upper floors of the towers. The entry doors are metal panel doors.

A one-and-one-half story, two-car garage is located northwest of the house. This garage has vinyl siding and an asphalt-shingle, side-gable roof. A circular, asphalt drive from Falls Road provides access to both the house and garage. A row of shrubs lines the drive, and trees are scattered throughout the property.

Through the mid-twentieth century, the area around the south portion of Falls Road in Montgomery County, where this property is located, was focused on agriculture, with many small farms along the road. At the south end of Falls Road is the crossroads community of Potomac (formerly Offutt's Crossroads). This community grew up in the early nineteenth century to serve the needs of local residents. Beginning in the mid-twentieth century, many of the small farms along Falls Road were purchased for

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MHT Comments:

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Reviewer, National Register Program

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subdivision for new housing developments (Sween and Offutt 1999:171).

According to assessment records, this building was constructed in 1952. A 1949 real estate atlas shows that this lot had been platted, but no building constructed (Klinge 1949). A 1959 real estate atlas shows a brick house, presumably the core of the present building, was constructed on this lot by that time (Klinge 1959). This house received its present appearance through substantial alterations constructed in 1988-1989 (Montgomery County Permitting Services, permit #886220240).

This property is not recommended eligible for listing in the Maryland Inventory of Historic Places or the National Register of Historic Places. The 1980s alterations to the house have masked this building's historic appearance, and it no longer retains integrity of design or materials.

## References cited:

Klinge, F.H.M.

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Sween, Jane C., and William Offutt

1999 Montgomery County: Centuries of Change: An Illustrated History. Sun Valley, CA: American History Press.

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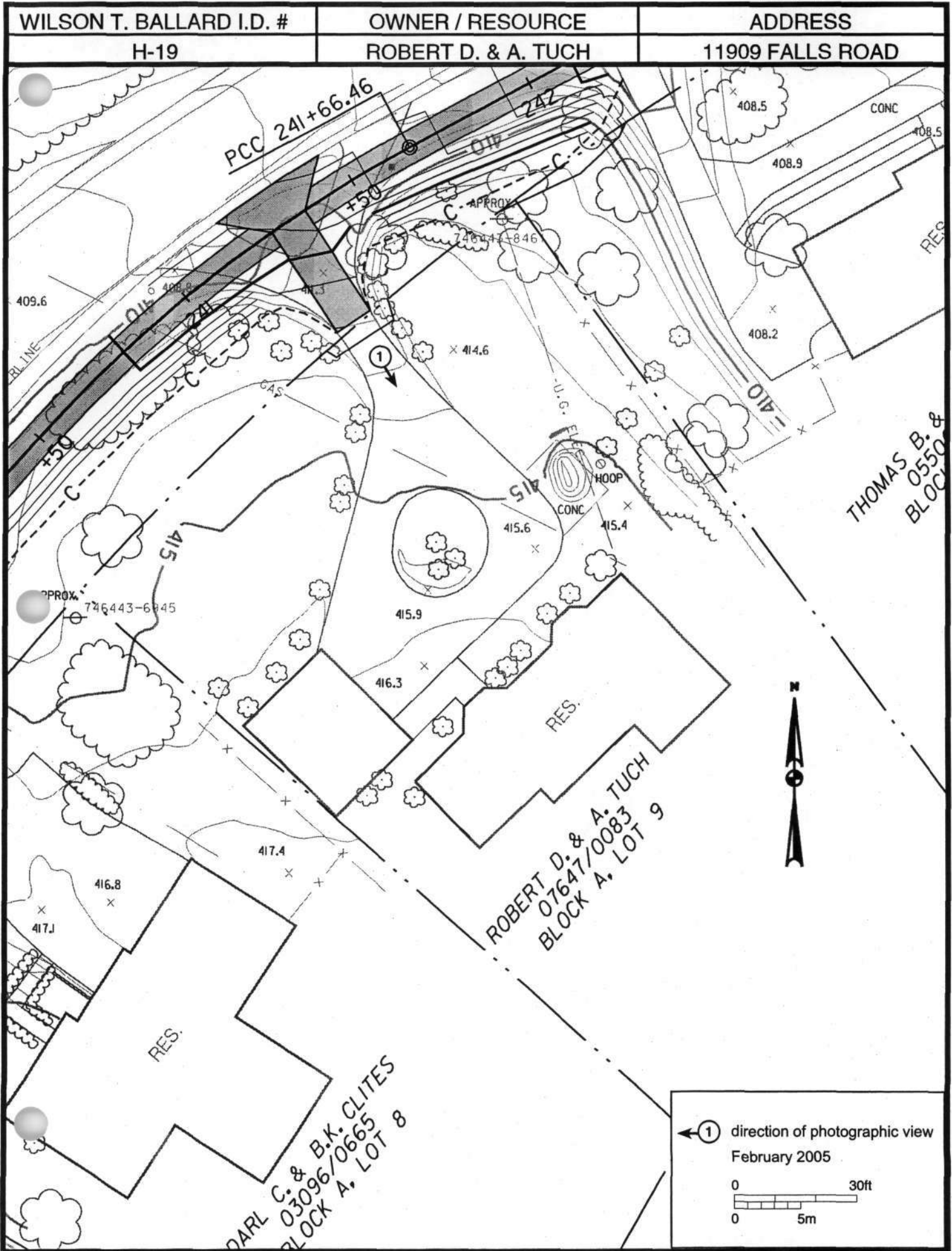
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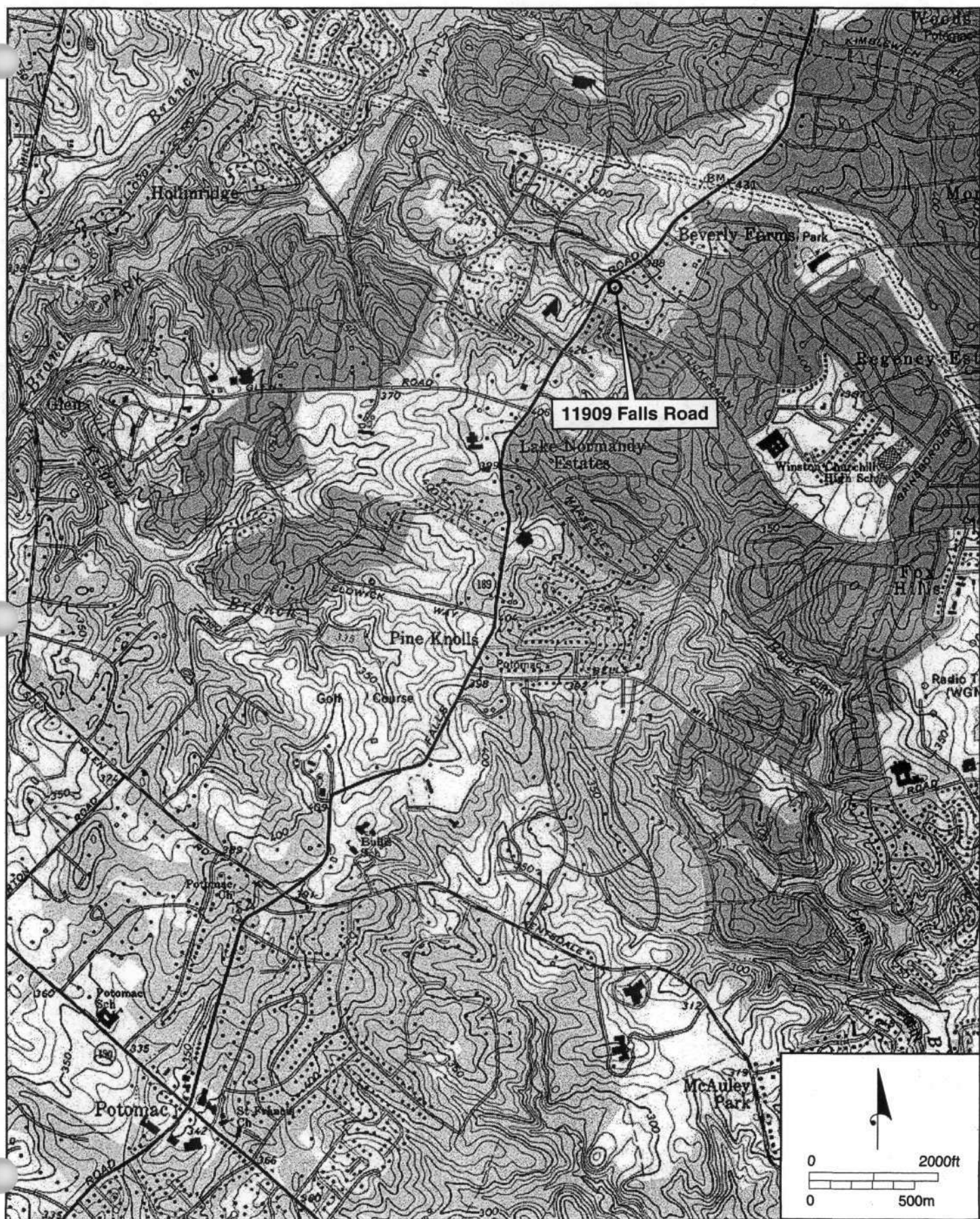
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MONTGOMERY CO.



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